

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend page 1, between the Title and heading "Background of the Invention," by adding:

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Please amend page 7, lines 5-9 as follows:

weight up to about 25 parts by weight of lanthanide oxide other than ceria mixture per 100 parts of the acidic oxide support materials. The amount of ceria to the lanthanide oxides other than ceria present in the NO_x reduction composition of this invention can be as high as 500:1 ~~ranges from 1:4 to 4:1 by weight, preferably 1:2 to 2:1.~~ Exemplified below are NO_x reduction compositions containing an acidic oxide support, ceria, and at least one lanthanide oxide other than ceria, wherein the amount of ceria to the amount of the lanthanide oxides other than ceria is in the range of from 1.66:1 to 5:1 by weight.